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VIA E-MAIL AND HAND DELIVERY

Carole Washburn, Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket No. UW-010877 – WUTC v. Rainier View Water Company,
Inc.

Dear Ms. Washburn:

I have just been sent a copy of Commission Staff's letter of this date. I am very surprised that Commission Staff did not pick up the telephone to call to see if there was a question that we could resolve prior to asking that the Commission enter an order.

Commission Staff, without discussing the issue with Rainier View, has apparently felt that there is need to seek a Commission order because the testimony of Rainier View was filed as "draft" testimony. Obviously, the purpose of filing the testimony in "draft" form is because it has not yet been authenticated by a witness, which would occur at the time it is offered. In addition, there may be typographical errors that need to be corrected and there may be technical errors that need to be adjusted, such as an error in a calculation.

Rainier View has been very cooperative with Commission Staff throughout this process. It is disappointing to find the Commission Staff sending in a letter of this nature without first discussing the matter with the company. In fact, the company has asked Commission Staff if they would like to discuss the company's testimony on at least one occasion since it was filed and received neither an affirmative nor negative response to that inquiry.

There is no need to waste Commission resources on such a simple matter. The company has not intention of making wholesale changes to its filed testimony. It is only prudent to reserve the right to correct typographical errors and other errors, such as errors in calculation, if any such are found.

Sincerely,

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